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...BUT MISTY, I NEED TO TALK TO THE PUNISHER.
JESSICA JONES, THIS IS A POLICE DEPARTMENT, NOT A--
MISTY.
I KNOW YOU HATE ME.
AND, HEY, NO SECRET, I DON'T CARE FOR YOU.
A 17-YEAR RUNNING GAG IS NOT EASY TO PULL OFF!
I DON'T WANT TO BE ANYWHERE NEAR YOU BECAUSE, WELL, YOU ONCE TOLD MY HUSBAND I'M A "HOT GARBAGE FIRE" AND THAT HE SHOULD STAY THE HELL AWAY FROM ME BEFORE I GOT HIM KILLED WITH MY LOSERNESS.
AND YOUR METAL ARM SMELLS WEIRD TO ME.
KNOWING ALL THAT, I'M STILL HERE ASKING YOU FOR A FAVOR BECAUSE PEOPLE ARE GOING TO DIE.
GET ME IN A ROOM WITH THE PUNISHER.
I WAS WRONG.
YOU AND LUKE ARE PERFECT FOR EACH OTHER.
GET THE HELL OUT OF HERE, JONES, AND LET THE PROFESSIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT...DO SOME PROFESSIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT.
GO FIND SOME ALIEN NINJAS TO PUNCH.
I'M VERY TIRED AND I'M--
DID YOU NOT HEAR--?
MY BRAIN IS THE MULTIVERSE, YO!
YOU DIDN'T EXIST UNTIL I THOUGHT OF YOU!!!
DAMN IT, GARY!
THE ELDERS OF THE COSMOS DIED FOR OUR SINS!
SETTLE DOWN, KID!
WHOA!
THERE'S NO SUCH THING AS A DEAD UNIVERSE!

A DEAD UNIVERSE! A DEAD UNIVERSE! A DEAD UNIVERSE!
WHOA!
SWEET CHRISTMAS...
PLEASE.
IT'S GOTTA BE HER?
HE AIN'T GONNA TALK TO ME.
YOU HAVE A VISITOR, FRANK...

HEY...
...WHO'S BACKING DIAMONDBACK?
HEY!
I JUST, THIS SECOND, SAW SOMEONE DIE IN THE OTHER ROOM.
ON THAT DIAMOND DRUG #$@#.
SO LET'S JUST ASSUME MORE PEOPLE ARE GOING TO DIE WHILE YOU SIT THERE STEVE McQUEENING ME.
WHY ARE YOU DOING ANY OF THIS PUNISHER THING IF NOT TO DO EVERYTHING IN YOUR POWER TO STOP THIS EXACT NONSENSE?

NO, I TOLD YOU, I SAW HIM ONCE.
UNDER NEW ANAGEMENT
WITHOUT HIS MASK ON?
YOU WOULD NOT FIND HIM HOT.
C'MON, DIAMONDBACK, WE GETTIN' OUT OF THE CITY TONIGHT OR NOT?
INTRODUCE ME TO HIM AND I'LL TELL YOU.
DRIVE THE CAR.
I GET IT. YOU SEE THE MASK AND YOU THINK--
'KAY, IT'S TIME TO GET OUT OF THE CITY BECAUSE I AM DEFINITELY SEEING...

...THINGS.
THIS IS IT, DIAMONDBACK.
YOU'RE DONE.
YOU A COP NOW, CAGE?
YOU'RE COMING WITH US.
OR?
OR I TAKE YOUR CAR AND I ROLL IT UP INTO A BALL AND I THROW IT INTO THE EAST RIVER.
WITH YOU IN IT.
(IF THAT LAST PART WASN'T ENTIRELY CLEAR.)
BOY! YOU THINK I WASN'T READY FOR YOU?
DESE DEM?
UGH!

THESE ARE THE DEFENDERS, TITANIA?
GUESS SO, FIXER.
OH, HEY, CAGE, STILL MARRIED, I SEE?
(STUPID.)
GREAT.
GREAT.
CAGE, I DONE TOLD YOU THE DAY I GOT BACK.
RULES ARE DIFFERENT NOW.
THIS ISN'T THE SAME GAME KINGPIN PLAYED.
WHAT MR. DIAMONDBACK IS SAYIN' IS, GO HOME.
GAME'S CHANGED.
HEY! I TRASHED YOUR WORLDS AND I'M GONNA TRASH YOUR SOUL IF YOU DON'T FIND ANOTHER DAMN HOBBY.
BUT I LIKE THIS HOBBY.
HE REALLY DOES.
OKAY.

I DID NOT AGREE TO THIS!

SORRY.
SORRY.
MY BAD.
KRUSCH

BOOM
$@#$!
WE GOT 'EM ON THE ROPES, GUYS.
YOU'RE IN OVER YOUR HEAD, TRAILER PARK.
MOONSTONE, I'LL PAY YOU MONEY TO STOP TALKING.
THIS IS GOING TO MAKE OUR REPS LIKE YOU WOULDN'T--
AAGGH!
SPASSSH
SMART-ASS!
SMMACK

DAMN.

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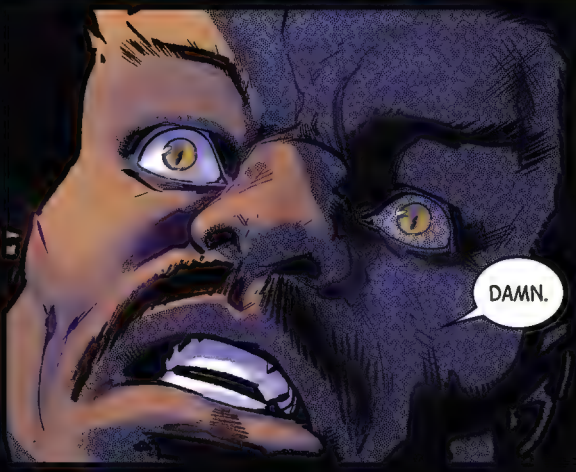
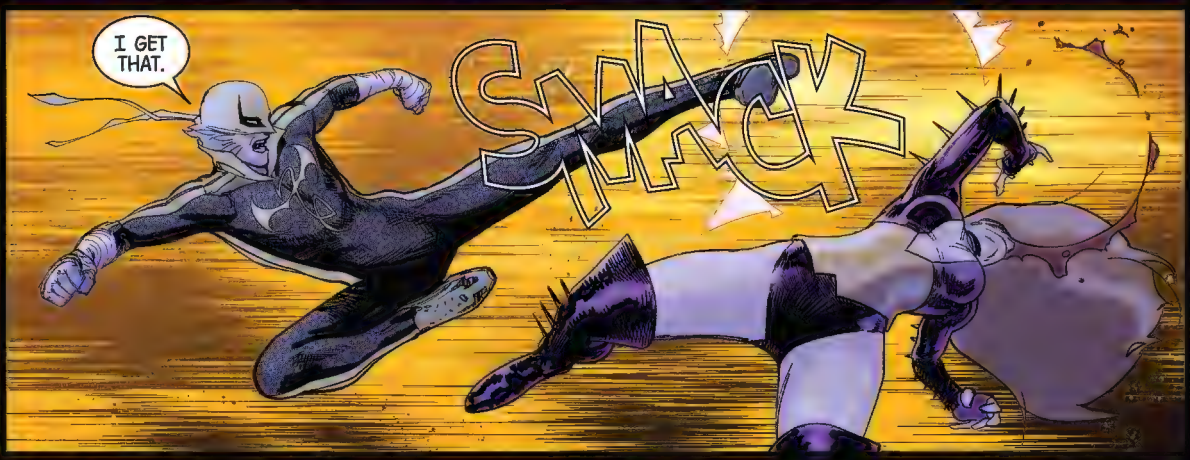
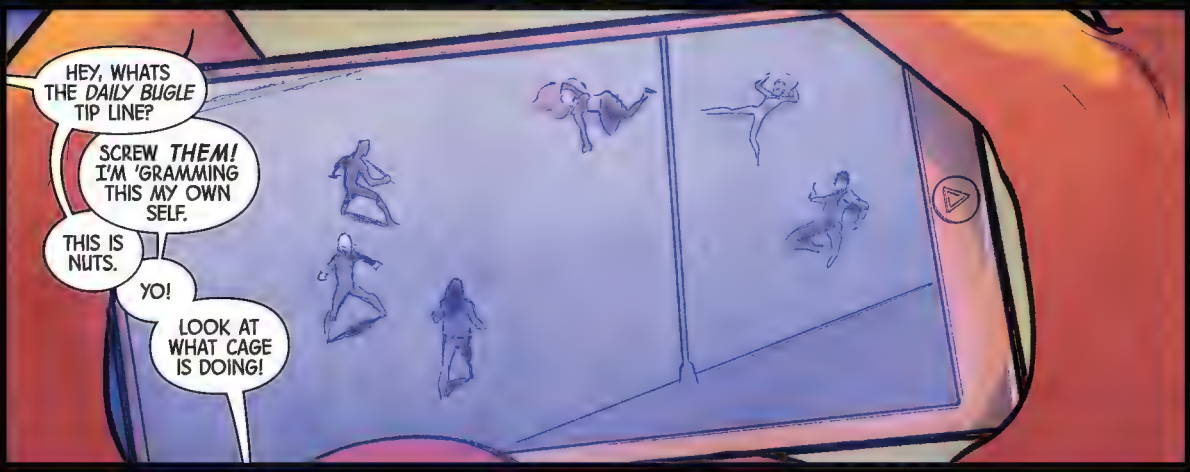

DAMN.

HATE %@#!$ FIGHTING!


I GET THAT.
SMACK

I DON'T.
FACK
GORRK!


HEY, WHATS THE *DAILY BUGLE* TIP LINE?
SCREW *THEM!* I'M 'GRAMMING THIS MY OWN SELF.
THIS IS NUTS.
YO!
LOOK AT WHAT CAGE IS DOING!

YA COME BACK TO LIFE!
CRASH
YA THINK YOU'RE THE HOT $@#%!
SMASSHH
YA DONE!!!
SMASSHH
YOU HEAR ME?!
SLAM
BOOM

PUNK ASS.
KNEW YOU WAS HYPE.

BUDDABUDDAABUDDA
BUDDABUDDAA
YOU-- YOU SHOT ME!
YOU SHOT ME WITH A GUN?
YOU KIDDING ME?
YEAH, NORMALLY I HATE GUNS...

I HATE THEM SOMETHING TERRIBLE.
BUT I HATE YOU MORE.
BLACK CAT...

MMFFRR...
STILL ALIVE.
THAT IS DISAPPOINTING.
WELL, IF WE AIN'T GETTING PAID...
I KNEW THIS WOULD HAPPEN, FIXER.
SORRY.
YEAH.
UH, TRUCE.
YEAH.
THAT'S NOT HOW THIS WORKS.
THAT'S NOT FAIR!
WE'RE ONLY HERE FOR THE GIG, MAN!
UH-HUH.
SPK
STAPP
GUYAAG!
I KNEW YOU WERE WATCHING...

...ELEKTRA.
SURE YOU DID.
WHAT THE HELL IS THIS NOW?
FELICIA HARDY.
HEY, CAGE.
HERE.
ON THE HOUSE.
DON'T NEED IT.
NO.
I DON'T NEED IT.
IF ALL THIS WEREN'T ENOUGH OF A BIG WAKE-UP CALL...
...MY CRIMINAL DAYS ARE OVER.
WHATEVER YOU GUYS ARE CALLING YOURSELVES, WHATEVER THE GAME PLAN IS, I AM ALL IN.
LADY, YOU CAN'T JUST GET UP OUT OF YOUR HOSPITAL BED AND JUST ALL OF A SUDDEN DECIDE YOU'RE ONE OF THE GOOD GUYS NOW.
WHY NOT, CAGE?

YOU DID!
THAT IS ALMOST A GOOD POINT, COLLEEN.
DAUGHTERS OF THE DRAGON, WHITE TIGER, ECHO...
DANIEL...
THANKS FOR COMING OUT ON SUCH A LOVELY EVENING.
I WAS JUST GLIDING BY.
WELL, DEFENDERS, DON'T LOOK NOW, BUT I THINK WE CAUGHT OURSELVES THE KINGPIN.
NO.
NO, YOU HAVEN'T...
HAMMERHEAD!
THE HOOD.
HE HAS THE--
--THE POWER...
...HE HAS THE POWER OVER LIFE AND DEATH ITSELF.
THE--THE HOOD IS THE NEW KINGPIN.
TO BE CONCLUDED...

NEXT!

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ALL ON SALE THIS MONTH!

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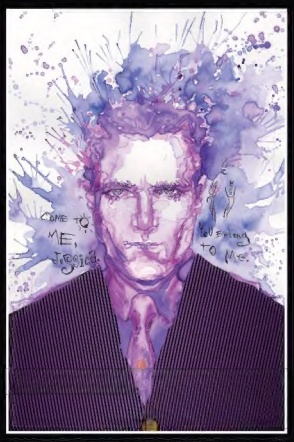

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